

**Selectboard Memo**  
**October 5, 2015 SB Meeting**

**Road Foreman Report: Mike Garand**

- **Winter Roads Policy:**
  - See draft for 2015/16; second page includes the public salt/sand usage policy
- **Part-time Winter Road Crew:**
  - We may need to find new part-timers
- **Brazier Road Concerns with Speeding Cars:**
  - Ms. Swasey's report on speeding cars, pull-off issues, state police interest
- **Update on Grader:**
  - On the road again...
- **Signs Requested by School Bus Company:**
  - Stop sign on Cummings at North/Cummings intersection
  - Yield sign on Jacobs at Sparrow Farm/Jacobs intersection
- **Quaker Road Paving Fix by Whitcomb's**
- **Final Report from Phase 1 of the VTrans County Road High Risk Rural Road Project:**
  - Board needs to determine if it wants the project to move forward to the design stage and, if so, whether changes in the plan are desired; special attention should be paid to the plan for the Center Road and Cummings Road intersections with County Road
  - If the board is comfortable with plan, need to authorize TA Johnson to sign cover letter
- **10-Wheeler Replacement Timing:**
  - The town's two 2008 International 10-wheelers are entering their 9<sup>th</sup> winter; current plan for replacement under the Capital Improvement Plan is to replace one in FY2017 (i.e., prior to next winter) and the other in FY2018
  - Is the board comfortable with this plan? If so, Mr. Garand will begin researching options for replacing one of the trucks with a targeted delivery of late summer/early fall 2016; challenge will be determining how to handle deactivating the 2008s

**Discussion on Zoning Enforcement Actions and Rebuttal of Recent Public Statements on Health Hazards**

- The Mays Way situation has received significant play in the Times Argus; concerns have been raised that the claims of raw sewage on the properties have not been adequately refuted by the board
- As of today, Mr. Clement and Ms. Buck are still residing on the property; they provided assurances that this will be the last night in residence

**Discussion on Potential Amendments to Zoning Regulations**

- The planned hearing on the packet of amendments is set for November 30, 2015, 7 p.m. at the Emergency Services Facility
- Board is continuing to review:
  - Section 7.4 Certificates of Compliance
  - Article 9 Flood Hazard Regulations

**Discussion on 2015 VLCT Town Fair & Annual Meeting: 2016 Draft VLCT Municipal Policy**

- The VLCT annual meeting is on October 8<sup>th</sup>; if the board has issues with the draft policy document, now is the time to inform the town's voting delegate (TA Johnson)

**Discussion on Potential Selectboard Vacancy**

- Mr. Sparrow has recently moved to Calais and is resigning his seat on the board; this two-year seat is up for election at 2016 Town Meeting
- Board needs to give public notice of the vacancy within 10 days of the resignation; SB should determine process for filling seat until 2016 Town Meeting

**Review of CVSWMD Municipal Assistance Grant Agreement**

- Although the town joined with Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District for an organics recycling event at the East Montpelier Elementary School on September 16<sup>th</sup>, the town had not yet

formally accepted the \$3,000 CVSWMD grant that funded the event; CVSWMD has now provided the necessary paperwork; if comfortable with grant, board should authorize TA Johnson to sign grant agreement and submit final report

- The composters, Green Cones, and scrap buckets have been distributed (with a couple of stragglers); invoices for the products are on this meeting's warrant; final cost is \$2,994.04

### **Discussion on Potential Town Application for a VTrans Transportation Alternatives Program Scoping Study Grant**

- Mr. Etnier has been working with Calais officials on possible consortium grant options for examining multi-modal use of County Road; this particular grant program requires a 50% town match for a scoping study – Calais would prefer a lesser cash match program; the application is due by October 16<sup>th</sup>; Mr. Etnier recommends bypassing this program in favor of a possible VTrans Bike & Pedestrian Grant application, which will have more town favorable match requirements; that program's grant cycle has not yet been announced

### **Consideration of Hutchins Roofing Proposal for Town Office Entryway Roof Replacement**

- Hutchins Roofing estimates the cost of replacing the membrane roof at \$3,000; board needs to decide whether to accept the proposal, seek others, or simply do nothing; the issue is part of the plan put forth by contractor Justin Campbell, the contractor the town has hired to install a fix preventing excessive water drainage from the roof down the front wall of the town office; Mr. Campbell expects to start work by the end of the week

### **Discussion on Sanfacon Compliance with Judicial Order**

- In August the Environmental Court issued a supplementary order in the Pollock/Sanfacon dispute on Wheeler Road that settled cross motions for contempt for failure to follow the court's original ruling; this new order required Mr. Sanfacon to install more screening for the trailers on his property with a deadline for compliance of October 1st
- Board conducted a site visit immediately prior to this meeting to view the new screening; this discussion item is for the board to review Mr. Sanfacon's actions in light of the judicial order; the board is not required to take any action

### **Town Administrator Report**

- Meeting Schedule:
  - October 8<sup>th</sup> VLCT Town Fair (Killington Grand)
  - October 15<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm EMFD Quarterly Budget Presentation at ESF
  - October 19<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm Regular SB meeting
  - November 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:30 pm Regular SB meeting
  - November 16<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm Regular SB meeting
  - November 30<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm Public hearing at ESF
- EMFD Request (by way of Larry Brown)
  - If the town purchase of the Winston property goes through, EMFD would like to use the house for SCBA training exercises (both inside and out); later on, if/when the structure is targeted for destruction, EMFD would like the opportunity to do "exterior remodeling" training

### **Zoning Administrator Report**

- See permit activity for period September 21 – October 5, 2015
- Next DRB meeting will be on October 6, 2015
  - Habitat for Humanity request to develop the Benton lot
  - Recreation Board request for a setback waiver to relocate concession shed
  - Appeal of ZA's issuance of a permit to Duane Wells for an accessory dwelling
  - Manghi/Gardner/Duane sketch plan for a two-lot subdivision